Mountain Weather Forecast

South Grampian and Southeast Highlands

Including South and East Cairngorms National Park, Aberdeenshire and Angus Hills, Ben Vrackie, Ben Lawers, Loch Tay and Ochils
Forecast valid from 00:00 on Saturday 08 May 2021 until 23:59 on Sunday 09 May 2021

Forecast Issued on Friday 07 May 2021 at 15:24 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for a wet and windy spell through Saturday and for a return to showery conditions from Sunday. The main uncertainty relates to the frequency and intensity of showers.

Headline for Saturday 08 May 2021: Cold, increasingly windy with heavy rain and snow.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 08 May 2021

Blizzards
Medium Likelihood

Heavy Snow
Low Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
Medium Likelihood

Severe chill effect
High Likelihood

Poor visibility
High Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
Low Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation 800m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
	FOG	FOG					FOG
Partly cloudy (night)	Fog	Fog	Cloudy	Heavy snow	Heavy snow	Light snow	Fog
Precipitation probability							
00%	00%	00%	00%	80%	80%	60%	30%

Forecast for Saturday 08 May 2021

Weather: Dry with thickening cloud through the early hours. A dry, bright start before a band of rain (snow above 600m initially, rising to 800m) pushes northward, reaching the Ochils by mid morning and the Aberdeenshire Hills by late morning before gradually clearing northwards by evening. Blizzard conditions expected above munro level with occasionally heavy rain affecting lower slopes, mainly in the east.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 40% falling almost zero by late morning.

Visibility: Areas of cloud above 600m will become increasingly extensive through morning and will lower to 300-500m. Whiteout conditions likely on highest slopes during snow and widely hazy on lower ground in rain, especially in east.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	6/8 SE	9/11 SE	17/21 SE	25/33 SE	33/43 SE	36/48 SE	33/44 SE	14/18 S	15/19 S
900	5/7 SE	6/9 SE	12/16 SE	19/27 SE	24/34 SE	26/37 SE	24/34 SE	12/16 S	11/14 S
600	3/4 S	2/4 SE	6/10 E	13/23 SE	17/30 SE	17/30 SE	16/27 SE	5/9 SE	5/8 SW
300	2/4 NE	2/4 NE	5/8 E	11/21 SE	14/27 SE	14/28 SE	12/25 E	5/11 E	4/8 W
Glen	2/4 N	2/3 NE	5/9 E	10/18 E	14/27 SE	15/29 SE	13/25 E	6/11 NE	3/6 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1100	-3/-7	-3/-8	-3/-10	-2/-11	-2/-11	-2/-11	-2/-10	0/-4	1/-4
900	-2/-4	-2/-5	-2/-7	-0/-7	0/-7	-0/-8	0/-7	2/-2	2/-2
600	0/-1	-1/-2	0/-2	2/-2	2/-4	2/-4	2/-3	2/0	3/1
300	3/1	1/-0	2/0	5/2	5/1	4/-0	4/0	4/2	4/2
Glen	3/2	1/-0	3/1	6/3	6/2	5/1	5/1	5/3	5/4
Freezing Level*	600m	600m	600m	800m	800m	800m	900m	1400m	1500m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Be aware of fast deteriorating conditions from the south through morning along with strengthening winds.

Forecast for Sunday 09 May 2021
Weather: Changeable conditions through the day as scattered showers develop widely but there will also be some sunshine, especially through morning. Afternoon showers are likely to be on the heavy side with a risk of thunder.

Maximum wind: Southerly 20 gusting 35mph.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 50% improving 70%.

Visibility: Areas of cloud above 400m will graduall lift and break through morning. Some patches of cloud will accompany showers down to around 500m.

Temperature: **Glens:** 5-7C rising 11-13C.
At 800m: 2C rising 6C.
Freezing level: 1200m rising well above all summits.

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